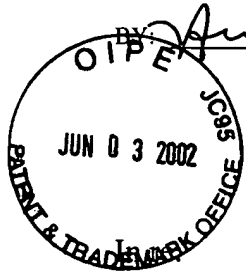


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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision dated November 26, 2001, Paper No. 24, of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-3 and 7-18.

The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time with extension fee for three (3) months up to and including , to respond to the final rejection was filed on _____.
- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time for three (3) months to file the Notice of Appeal is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (Billing No. 053844-5002-00) for this Notice of Appeal. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
- ☒ \$160.00-- a Small Entity Declaration has been filed previously in this case.
- ☐ \$320.00 -- no Small Entity Declaration is appropriate.
- ☐ Not required (fee paid in prior appeal).

☐ An oral hearing before the Board of Appeals is respectfully requested.

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☐ \$140.00 - a Small Entity Declaration has been filed previously in this case.

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